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CONGRESSIONAL REPORTS ELIMINATION ACT OF 1982

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Mr. BROOKS, from the Committee on Government Operations, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 6005]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Government Operations, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 6005) to discontinue or amend certain requirements for agency reports to Congress, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with an amendment and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

The amendment strikes out all after the enacting clause of the bill and inserts a new text which appears in italic type in the reported bill.

EXPLANATION OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

H.R. 6005 was reported by the Government Operations Committee with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. The entire text of this report is an explanation of the amendment.

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE

As reported by the House Committee on Government Operations, H.R. 6005 will eliminate, consolidate, simplify, or reduce some 77 recurring congressionally-mandated reporting requirements. Congressional committees with substantive jurisdiction over the subject matter covered by these reporting requirements have concurred in this action.

H.R. 6005 was introduced at the request of the Office of Management and Budget. As originally introduced, it was a compilation of approximately 200 reports which departments and agencies in the Executive Branch had recommended for elimination or modification. The deletion by the Government Operations Committee of a number of provisions is the result of recommendations received from Committees of the House of Representatives. Provisions were deleted because committees indicated the reports are either still useful and pertinent in

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overseeing government programs and activities or they contain substantive material which should be the subject of in-depth hearings by the relevant committees prior to any change in the law.

Committee Action and Vote

On August 10, 1982, the bill, as amended, was ordered reported unanimously by the full committee on a voice vote, a quorum being present.

Hearing

The Legislation and National Security Subcommittee of the Committee on Government Operations held a hearing on H.R. 6005 on July 29, 1982. Testifying in favor of the legislation were Christopher C. DeMuth, Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget, who presented the Administration's views, and Arthur Corazzini, Deputy Director of the Program Analysis Division at the General Accounting Office.

Mr. DeMuth linked the OMB efforts to reduce congressionally-mandated reporting requirements to provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, which, as stated by Mr. DeMuth, requires the OMB to:

> Examine the entire life cycle of Federal information activities, from the actual collection of information, through its maintenance and use, and ultimately to its dissemination.

Mr. DeMuth indicated that it is necessary to eliminate or reduce congressional reporting requirements. He said:

> As Executive Branch agencies face budgetary and personnel reductions, the administrative burdens created by adding reporting requirements become quite significant. Moreover, the time and costs associated with the preparation of these reports often distract agencies from their executive functions.

Arthur Corazzini, testifying for the General Accounting Office, outlined efforts of the GAO to accomplish reports reduction. Corazzini indicated that a central data bank has been established in the GAO for monitoring the various reporting requirements of the Congress. This comprehensive inventory is available through the GAO Congressional Sourcebook Services and the Congressional Research Service's SCORPIO system. Corazzini suggested that if the utility of congressional reports were monitored and evaluated on an ongoing basis, the Congress could more easily identify unneeded reports that should be eliminated. He encouraged drafters of legislation to carefully assess the value of reporting requirements during the legislative initiation and reauthorization processes and to use the GAO's inventory of reporting requirements to determine what information already is available in order to avoid unnecessary creation of new requirements.

General Discussion

At the present time there are approximately 2,900 congressionally mandated recurring reporting requirements, according to the General

Accounting Office. In an effort to reduce the cost associated with such requirements and to eliminate unneeded paperwork, Congress has periodically examined the necessity for continuing such requirements.[1] This year Chairman Jack Brooks and Congressman Frank Horton introduced H.R. 6005 by request of the Office of Management and Budget.

Prior to formulating the draft legislation the OMB requested departments and agencies to identify and submit to OMB reporting requirements recommended for elimination, simplification or consolidation. According to Christopher DeMuth, Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at OMB, agencies were instructed to use the following selection criteria in making their recommendations:

(1) Duplication and overlap with other reports (i.e., information being provided to Congress in another form such as appropriations or oversight testimony),

(2) Burden or cost of producing the report (including cost to the public in collecting data as well as cost to the agency),

(3) The continued validity of the original requirement (i.e., whether the reason for the requirement—such as close oversight of a newly initiated program—still applied), and

(4) Actual uses by the Congress of the report.

However, according to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, "In making recommendations to eliminate reports, we are making no judgments on the importance of a topic or the need for obtaining information." [2] In addition, responding to a query by Chairman Brooks, Mr. DeMuth indicated that the relevant congressional committees were not contacted prior to final compilation of the recommendations into draft legislation, which indicates that the specific needs of Congress were not considered. In fact, the Committee learned that the language of one provision was "identical to language proposed by the Department of Defense each of the past two years that was specifically and overwhelmingly rejected by the (Armed Services) committee." [3]

Submissions of the departments and agencies were reviewed by the OMB, and according to Mr. DeMuth, some recommendations were deleted prior to final compilation of the draft legislation.

During its consideration of H.R. 6005, the Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security asked Committees of the House of Representatives to review the legislation and to recommend amendments, as necessary, to assure that congressional review and oversight functions would not be harmed if reporting requirements were eliminated.

Amendments were submitted by various committees on the basis that some provisions of H.R. 6005 were inappropriate to the general subject matter of that bill and that other provisions, changing or

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[1] Previous such reviews have resulted in the enactment of laws in 1954 (P.L. 796, 83rd Congress, 68 Stat. 966), 1960 (P.L. 96–533, 74 Stat. 245), 1965 (P.L. 89–348, 79 Stat. 1310), 1974 (P.L. 93–608, 88 Stat. 1967) and 1980 (P.L. 96–470, 94 Stat. 2237) eliminating or modifying a number of reports.

[2] Statement of Christopher C. DeMuth, Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, in hearings before the Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security regarding H.R. 6005 on July 29, 1982.

[3] Letter of July 1, 1982, to Chairman Jack Brooks from Honorable Melvin Price, Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services.

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eliminating reporting requirements, were not consistent with current congressional need for information. In fact, the reason given for the majority of requests for deleting provisions was that the information received in response to such mandatory requirements continues to be pertinent and useful to congressional committees in their oversight activities.

Recommendations received from the Committees were consolidated in amendments introduced by Chairman Brooks during consideration of this legislation by both the Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security and the full Committee on Government Operations. As reported by the Government Operations Committee, however, the bill still eliminates or modifies approximately 77 reporting requirements.

Committee generally agreed that matters of substantive law were matters inappropriate for inclusion in a bill dealing with the elimination of reporting requirements. For example, James J. Blanchard, Chairman, Subcommittee on Economic Stabilization of the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, said:

> The amendment repealing all of Title III of the Energy Security Act goes far beyond eliminating a simple reporting requirement. The changes would strike substantive law. * * * If the Administration seeks to repeal substantive provisions of the Energy Security Act, it should seek separate legislation to do so and justify the request before the appropriate committees * * *.

And, James R. Jones, Chairman of the House Budget Committee strongly opposed:

> Two proposed changes tothe Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 which would create new impoundment authority for the Executive Branch.* * * Such a change should be considered in the course of specific hearings on amending the Budget and Impoundment Control Act and not through a broad measure designed to eliminate unnecessary reports to Congress.

The Government Operations Committee is in full agreement with these observations and accordingly deleted provisions which affected substantive law.

It should also be noted that some committees believe mandatory requirements are necessary in order for Congress to obtain information from the Executive Branch in a timely manner. As the chairman of one committee stated:

> During the 97th Congress this Committee and its Subcommittees have experienced much difficulty in obtaining necessary and useful information from the executive branch. * * * I am not convinced that improved cooperation is forthcoming. For that reason, I believe it would be very unwise at this time to repeal any statutory provisions which require the submission of information to the Congress.[4]

In addition information was received which reveals that reports submitted by the Executive Branch in response to congressional man-

[4] Letter of June 24, 1982, to Chairman Jack Brooks from Honorable William D. Ford Chairman of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee.

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dates are considerably more elaborate and more massive than the Congress intended. It would behoove the Executive Branch agencies to consult with congressional committees to determine the intent and need of the committees prior to formulation of the required reports. To accomplish savings, however, it would be necessary that the agencies follow congressional suggestions. Even where such discussions have been held in the past, congressional suggestions have not always been followed, as the Chairman of the Committee on Science and Technology indicated:

> The cost estimates included in the bill explanation are often misleading in that they are based on the massive size and the elaborate process which . . . Administration have chosen for . . . reports. That process and size have continued in spite of our repeated requests and suggestions that what the Congress all along intended were reports that were much shorter and more concise.[5]

Conclusion

The need to reduce congressionally mandated reporting requirements must be carefully weighed against the congressional need for information concerning Government programs and activities. Current information, received on a timely basis, is essential to Congress in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities. Where relevant committees of the House of Representatives indicated a continuing need for information affected by provisions of H.R. 6005, those provisions were deleted during mark-up of the bill. In addition, requests received from relevant committees for deletion of substantive provisions or suggesting amended language for other provisions were incorporated by the Committee in its reported bill.

Passage of H.R. 6005, as amended, will enhance the economic and efficient operation of Federal Government activities by eliminating or reducing approximately 77 congressional reporting requirements and allowing the resources currently used in fulfilling those requirements to be channeled to other more essential functions.

Section-by-Section Analysis

TITLE I

Section 101(a)

Repeals reporting requirement of the Inspector General or comparable official requiring an evaluation of an agency's progress to institute effective management controls and improve the accuracy and completeness of data provided to the Federal Procurement Data system regarding consultant service contractual arrangements, as part of budget justification. This is one of six similar provisions for reporting requirements contained in six different appropriations measures.

Section 101(b)

Refers to a reporting requirement similar to the above. Similar provisions were contained in six different appropriations measures.

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[5] Letter of June 22, 1982, to Chairman Jack Brooks from Honorable Don Fuqua, Chairman of the Science and Technology Committee.

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Section 102

Deletes requirement that the Office of Procurement Policy submit an annual report to Congress on actions taken by Federal agencies to maximize the procurement of items composed of recovered materials.

Section 103(a)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Agriculture submit a quarterly report setting forth expenditures for the food stamp program, including the number of individuals participating, and the cost of administering the program on the state and national level.

Section 103(b)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Agriculture submit a report at the end of each fiscal year consisting of a statement of rentals of property from Forest Service employees.

Section 103(c)

Deletes requirement that the Secretary of Agriculture submit at the end of each fiscal year a report of the operations of the Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) including a statement of expenditures incurred by classes and amounts.

Section 104(a)

Eliminates the requirement that the Secretary of Defense submit an annual report of the amounts paid and adjustments made under the Uniformed Services Civilian Health and Medical Program.

Section 104(b)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of each military department report on options acquired on parcels of real property during each six month period ending September 30 or March 31.

Section 104(c)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretaries of the military departments report on the progress of the flight instruction program for members of the Senior Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Section 105

Deletes the requirement that client assistance pilot projects, established to inform applicants of all available benefits for Basic Vocational Rehabilitation Services, submit annual reports, through the state agency, to the Secretary of Education on the operation of the projects during the previous calendar year. The Secretary was required to submit a copy of each such report together with a summary and his evaluation of such projects, including appropriate recommendations, to the Congress.

Section 106(a)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretaries of Transportation and Energy submit annual reports respecting the motor vehicle fuel consumption associated with the standards applicable for the preceding model years.

Section 106(b)

Deletes the requirement for the Secretary of Energy to report on any determination made to purchase or lease electric or hybrid

vehicles, together with all relevant information in support thereof, and to report whether such purchase or lease would, with high probability, displace the normal levels of private procurement of such vehicles for use in the United States.

Section 106(c)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Energy report to Congress on any changes in fuel supply patterns, tax policies and standards governing the manufacture of vehicles which are needed to facilitate the manufacture and use of methane-fueled vehicles.

Section 106(d)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Energy, in conjunction with fourteen other agencies, submit a report on Coal Industry performance and competition.

Section 107(a)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Health and Human Services submit an annual report to Congress describing any research, demonstration or similar project approved with full Federal financing under the Social Security Act including a statement of purpose, probable cost and expected duration of each project.

Section 107(b)

Deletes requirement that the Secretary of Health and Human Services annually report on the amounts of grants to migrant health centers expended for improvements to private property under the migrant health program.

Section 107(c)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Health and Human Services report annually on the status of handicapped children in the Head Start programs, including the number of children being served, their handicapping conditions and the services being provided such children.

Section 108(a)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of the Interior's annual report include a description of the development and implementation of plans for Tule elk restoration and conservation.

Section 108(b)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of the Interior annually report on activities and expenditures associated with funds deposited in the Treasury for the use of the Ute Indian Tribe.

Section 108(c)(1)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of the Interior annually report on the current status of tribally controlled community colleges, and

(2) Deletes requirement that the Secretary of the Interior annually report on funds provided to tribal organizations which control and manage any previously private school.

Section 109(a)

Deletes the requirement that the National Institute of Corrections submit a comprehensive and detailed annual report of its operations

activities, financial condition, and accomplishments to Congress and the President.

Section 109(b)

Deletes the requirement that the Attorney General report annually on the activities of the Department of Justice in the enforcement of Chapter 42 of title 18 of the U.S. Code relating to extortionate credit transactions.

Section 110(a)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Labor annually report the number of cases reviewed by him of persons discharged from the armed forces under other than honorable conditions and the number of Exemplary Rehabilitation Certificates issued.

Section 110(b)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Education together annually report their findings regarding the impact of bilingual vocational training programs.

Section 110(c)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Labor make recommendations as to the best way of preventing injuries in employment areas covered by the Longshoremen and Harbor Workers Compensation Act.

Section 110(d)

Deletes the requirement that the President transmit annually to the House and Senate a report of the activities of Federal agencies under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

Section 111(a)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation report annually on the implementation of pavement marking demonstration programs.

Section 111(b)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation include as part of his annual report a comprehensive report on the effectiveness of the United States Railmay Association (USRA) and of the Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail).

Section 111(c)

Deletes the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation report annually to the President, to Congress, the Secretary of the Interior and the Interstate Commerce Commission any potential dangers of or actual explosions or potential or actual spillages from pipelines on Federal lands.

Section 111(d)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation report annually on matters relating to vessels carrying certain cargoes in bulk, including a summary of inspection and enforcement activities and recommendations to Congress for any additional legislation necessary to improve navigation and vessel safety and protection of the marine environment.

Section 111(e)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation report annually on the financial condition and operations of the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Fund and of the Obligation Guarantee Fund.

Section 111(f)

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation report to the President and Congress on the financial condition of each railroad receiving a loan guaranteed by the Emergency Rail Service ninety days after the making of such a guarantee and annually thereafter throughout the existence of such a loan.

Section 112

Repeals the requirement that the Secretary of the Treasury in consultation with the Director of the United States International Development Cooperation Agency report annually to Congress on the progress made towards encouraging multilateral development banks to promote the decentralized production of renewable energy, to identify renewable resources to produce energy in rural development projects and determine the feasibility of substituting such resources for systems using fossil fuel.

Section 113

Deletes the requirement that the Interstate Commerce Commission shall submit an annual report on extensions granted for completing rail complaint proceedings.

Section 114

Deletes the requirement that the National Aeronautics and Space Administration report semi-annually to Congress certain information regarding purchases on contracts negotiated for experimental, development and research work (10 USC 2304(a)(11)) and for purchases in situations involving the interest of national defense or industrial mobilization in times of national emergency (10 USC 2304(a)(16)).

Section 115

Deletes the requirement that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission report annually to Congress on the use of contractors, consultants and the National Laboratories by the Commission, including the bidding procedures, nature of the work, amount and duration of the contract, progress of work, relation to previous contracts, and the relation between the amount of the contract and the amount actually spent.

Section 116

Deletes from the annual reporting requirement of the Small Business Administration, the requirement to detail complaints alleging illegal conduct by employees of the Administration which were received or acted on by the Administrator.

Section 117(a)

Deletes the requirement that the Chief Medical Director report through the Administrator to the appropriate committees of the Congress justifying the need to exceed the cap of 45.1 million dollars and

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an explanation as to the need to exceed the cap relative to priorities of patient care.

(b) Deletes the requirement that the Chief Medical Director submit to Congress through the Administrator of Veterans Affairs a full report on the implementation of section 601(4)(C)(v) of Title 38, U.S.C., and on the numbers of veterans provided contract and fee basis care, the average cost per visit or day, the duration of care, and summaries for each fifteen separate categories of entitlement by State including the possessions and territories, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

TITLE II

Section 201(a)

Deletes the requirement for the submission of current services estimates by the President to Congress on or before November 10 of each year and substitutes a requirement for the submission of the estimates concurrent with the transmittal of the President's budget.

Section 201(b)

Deletes the requirement that each Federal agency publish annually in the Federal Register a notice of the existence and character of systems of records it has established and substitutes a requirement for publication in the Federal Register upon establishment or revision of such systems.

Section 201(c)

Modifies the President's reporting requirement concerning implementation of the Privacy Act by deleting the June 30 submission requirement, adding a requirement to describe the actions of the Director of OMB pursuant to section 6 of the Privacy Act describing the exercise of individual rights of access and amendment under the Privacy Act, identifying changes in or additions to systems of records, and containing other useful or necessary information, and deleting the requirement to list separately for each Federal agency the number of records contained in any system of records which were exempted under provisions of subsections (j) and (k).

Section 201(d)

Changes the submission date of the report required to be made by the President concerning the activities, status and changes in composition of advisory committees. A report due December 31 covering the preceding fiscal year replaces one due March 31 covering the preceding calendar year.

Section 202(a)

Changes the frequency of reporting requirements by the Secretary of Commerce regarding the designation of Marine Sanctuaries from an annual to a biennial report.

Section 202(b)

Changes the date of the reporting requirement on the National Climate Program and Plan from January 30 of each year to March 31 of each year.

Section 202(c)

The requirement that the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration revise the comprehensive 5 year plan for the overall Federal effort in ocean pollution research and development and monitoring is changed from each odd numbered year to "by September 15 every third year after 1979."

Section 202(d)

Exempts from annual reporting requirements those agencies required to participate in the development of voluntary product standards with respect to any consumer commodity under specified procedures.

Section 203(a)(1)

Deletes the requirement for the Department of Defense to submit an annual report which provides a full accounting of all experiments and studies conducted by the Department of Defense within the preceding year whether directly or under contract, which involved the use of human subjects for testing of chemical or biological agents.

(2) Requires that such information be included in the annual report of the Secretary of Defense on chemical and biological research programs.

Section 203(b)

Reduces the frequency of formal reports to the President and the Congress concerning the administration of the Federal Voting Assistance Program from every two years to every four years.

Section 203(c)

Changes the period covered by the Annual Defense Standardization and Specification Program Report from a calendar year to a fiscal year.

Section 204

Modifies the requirement that the Annual Report of Books and Materials produced under International Education Research studies grants or contracts include an index and analysis. A listing of the publications would now be required.

Section 205

Amends in its particulars the report required to be made by the Inspector General of the Department of Energy. Frequency of the report is increased to twice yearly; transmission to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is no longer required; an evaluation of progress made in implementing recommendation to correct abuses and deficiencies relating to the administration of programs and operations of the Department is replaced by an identification of significant recommendations on which corrective action has not been completed; requires information concerning the numbers and types of audit reports compiled by the Office during the reporting period. Requires that copies of the report be made available to the general public at a reasonable cost.

Changes from 30 days to 7 days the time period after which the Congress is to be notified concerning particularly serious or flagrant problems, abuses, or deficiencies.

Section 206(a)

The specific date for submission of an annual report to Congress by the Secretary of Health and Human Services on the National Health Service Corps is deleted. It was formerly May 1.

Section 206(b)

Eliminates the requirement that the report of the Department of Health and Human Services required under the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act be submitted to the Congress in January of each year. Requires instead that such report be included in its annual report to Congress.

Section 206(c)

Amends the statute providing for an Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services to make the requirements for reports to Congress more comparable to reports required from other Inspectors General.

Section 207(a)

Amends the annual reporting requirement of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to delete the requirement for information relating to builders cost certifications, including the amounts paid by mortgagors to mortgagees for application to the reduction of the principal obligations of the mortgages.

Section 207(b)

Changes from annual to biennial the reporting requirement of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development concerning the adoption and enforcement of energy conservation standards in new buildings.

Section 208(a)

The requirement for an annual report by the Secretary of the Interior relating to the reporting of adjustments of irrigation charges on Indian lands is changed to a requirement for a report within 60 calendar days of the end of the fiscal year in which such adjustments are made. The Congressional review period is extended to 90 calendar days.

Section 208(b)

The annual report by the Secretary of the Interior on the state of education within the Bureau of Indian Affairs is expanded to include additional information on the status of tribally held community colleges.

Section 208(c)

Beginning in 1983, reduces from annual to once every third year the frequency with which the Secretary of the Interior is required to report to Congress as to the estimated size and condition of the various Tule Elk herds in California and the nature and condition of their respective habitats.

Section 209(a)

Deletes the requirement that the Attorney General report annually to the Congress under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act.

Section 209(b)

Changes from semiannual to annual the frequency of reports required to be submitted by the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission on the impact on competition and on small businesses of actions authorized by the International Voluntary Agreement section of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

Section 209(c)

Deletes the requirement that the Attorney General make an annual report to Congress concerning the administration of functions of the Attorney General under the Truth in Lending Act.

Section 210(a)

Amends the current reporting requirements of the Secretary of Transportation concerning Federal assistance to the railroad industry by requiring additional information on the financial condition of each railroad having a loan guaranteed throughout the existence of such loan, and the financial condition of the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Fund and of the Obligation Guarantee Fund.

Section 210(b)

Amends the reporting requirement of the Secretary of Transportation in regard to implementation of the highway hazard elimination program by including a requirement for information relating to projects for pavement marking.

Section 211

Amends the annual reporting requirement of the Secretary of the Treasury on the progress toward achieving the goals of Title VII of the International Financial Institutions Act, by excluding the requirement that the report address the objective of maintaining salaries and benefits of employees of the multilateral development banks at levels comparable to salaries and benefits of employees of private businesses and the United States Government in comparable positions.

Section 212

Amends the annual report required to be made by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission showing permits and licenses issued by deleting the requirement that the report contain the names and salaries of persons employed by the Commission.

Section 213

Deletes the requirement that the National Labor Relations Board include in its annual report a statement in detail of all the cases it has heard, the decisions it has rendered and an account of all money it has disbursed, and requires instead a summary of significant case activities and operations.

Section 214

Amends the annual reporting requirement of the National Science Foundation Board to a biennial report on indicators of the state of science and engineering in the United States. In addition it requires the submission of specific reports on individual policy matters related to science and engineering and education in science and engineering

as the Board, the Congress or the President determines the need for such reports.

Section 215

Amends the National Science and Technology Policy Organization and Priorities Act of 1976 to consolidate the Science and Technology Report and the Five Year Outlook Report.

The consolidated report will be issued biennally and is required to be submitted to the Congress.

Section 216

Deletes the requirement that the annual report by the Administrator of the Veterans Administration provide a summary of the reasons scholarships are not accepted.

Cost Estimate of the Congressional Budget Office

The cost estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office under Section 308(a) and 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is contained in the following letter from its Director:

U.S. Congress,
Congressional Budget Office,
Washington, D.C., September 10, 1982.

Hon. Jack Brooks,
Chairman, Committee on Government Operations, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Chairman: Pursuant to Section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Congressional Budget Office has reviewed H.R. 6005, the Congressional Reports Elimination Act of 1982, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Government Operations, August 10, 1982.

The bill would reduce the number of reports Executive agencies are required to submit to the Congress, and would also modify some remaining reporting requirements. Approximately 80 reports annually would be modified or eliminated.

Based on agency estimates of the costs of preparing reports submitted to the Congress, the Congressional Budget Office has estimated the potential annual cost savings associated with this bill to be approximately $4 million, which could be reflected either in reduced spending or in a reallocation of resources to other activities.

In testimony before the Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security of the House Committee on Government Operations, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) testified that approximately $10 million per year could be saved if this bill were enacted. The OMB estimate was based on an earlier version of the bill, which modified approximately 200 reporting requirements.

Should the Committee so desire, we would be pleased to provide further details on this estimate.

Sincerely,

Alice M. Rivlin,
Director.

Committee Estimate of Cost

The Committee agrees with the Congressional Budget Office regarding the cost savings to the Government that will result from enactment of this bill. In addition, further savings are possible in the preparation of congressionally mandated reports. The Committee suggests that affected Federal agencies discuss the requirements with the relevant committees to ascertain committee needs. If committee suggestions are followed, such discussions would most likely result in more concisely written, less elaborately prepared, and less costly reports.

Inflationary Impact

In compliance with clause (2)(l)(4) of House Rule XI, it is the opinion of the committee that the provisions of this bill will have no inflationary impact on prices and costs in the operation of the national economy.

Oversight Findings

The Committee has maintained continuous oversight of the agencies affected by this legislation, but has made no detailed findings and recommendations concerning reports elimination other than those contained elsewhere in this report.

New Budget Authority and Tax Expenditures

No new budget authority or tax expenditures are contained in this legislation.

Changes in Existing Law Made by the Bill, As Reported

In compliance with clause 3 of Rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

Section 616 of the Act of December 15, 1980

AN ACT Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, and for other purposes

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Sec. 616. (a) * * *

[(b) For fiscal year 1982 and thereafter, the Inspector General of such department or establishment, or comparable official, or if there is no Inspector General or comparable official, the agency head or the agency head's designee, shall submit to the Congress along with the budget justifictaion, an evaluation of the agency's program to institute effective management controls and improve the accuracy and completeness of the data provided to the Federal Procurement Data System regarding consultant service contractual arrangements.]

SECTION 126 OF THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION ACT OF 1981

SEC. 126. (a) * * *

[(b) For fiscal year 1982 and thereafter, the Inspector General of such department or establishment, or comparable official, or if there is no Inspector General or comparable official, the agency head or the agency head's designee, shall submit to the Congress along with the budget justification, an evaluation of the agency's progress to institute effective management controls and improve the accuracy and completeness of the data provided to the Federal Procurement Data System regarding consultant service contractual arrangements.]

SECTION 6002 OF THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT

FEDERAL PROCUREMENT

SEC. 6002. (a) * * *

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(g) EXECUTIVE OFFICE.—The Office of Procurement Policy in the Executive Office of the President, in cooperation with the Administrator, shall implement the policy expressed in this section. It shall be the responsibility of the Office of Procurement Policy to coordinate this policy with other policies for Federal procurement, in such a way as to maximize the use of recovered resources [, and to annually report to the Congress on actions taken by Federal agencies and the progress made in the implementation of such policy.].

SECTION 1303 OF THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ACT OF 1977

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOOD STAMP ACT OF 1977

SEC. 1303. (a) * * *

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[(d) The Secretary shall, within six months of enactment of this Act, submit a quarterly report to the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and the House Committee on Agriculture, setting forth the previous quarter's expenditure, by State, for the food stamp program. Such report shall also include the number of individuals participating in the program and the cost of administering the program at each State level and at the national level.]

ACT OF MARCH 4, 1913

AN ACT Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fourteen

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(a) To hire or rent property from employees of the Forest Service for the use of that Service, whenever the public interest will be pro-

noted thereby. [As soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year the Secretary shall transmit to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives a statement of rentals under the authority of this paragraph during the fiscal year.]

SECTION 9 OF THE SOIL CONSERVATION AND DOMESTIC ALLOTMENT ACT

SEC. 9. The Secretary is authorized to conduct surveys, investigations, and research relating to the conditions and factors affecting, and methods of accomplishing most effectively, the policy and purposes of section 7(a). Notwithstanding any provision of existing law, the Secretary is authorized to make public such information as he deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act. [The Secretary shall transmit to the Congress a report, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1937, and for each fiscal year thereafter, of the operations for such year under sections 7 to 14, inclusive, of this Act, which report shall include a statement of the expenditures made and obligations incurred, by classes and amounts.]

SECTION 8 OF THE FAIR PACKAGING AND LABELING ACT

SEC. 8. Each officer or agency required or authorized by this Act to promulgate regulations for the packaging or labeling of any consumer commodity, [or to participate in the development of voluntary product standards with respect to any consumer commodity under procedures referred to in section 5(d) of this Act,] shall transmit to the Congress each year a report containing a full and complete description of the activities of that officer or agency for the administration and enforcement of this Act during the preceding fiscal year. [All agencies except the Federal Trade Commission shall submit their report in January of each year. The Federal Trade Commission shall include this report in the Commission's annual report to Congress.] *All agencies except the Department of Health and Human Services and the Federal Trade Commission shall submit their reports in January of each year. The Department of Health and Human Services shall include this report in its annual report to Congress on activities under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and the Federal Trade Commission shall include this report in the Commission's annual report to Congress.*

TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE

Subtitle A—General Military Law

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PART II—PERSONNEL

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CHAPTER 55—MEDICAL AND DENTAL CARE

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§ 1081. Contracts for medical care for spouses and children: review and adjustment of payments; reports

Each plan under section 1079 of this title shall provide for a review, and if necessary an adjustment of payments, by the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of Health and Human Services, not later than 120 days after the close of each year the plan is in effect. [Not later than 90 days after each such review, the Secretary of Defense shall report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the amounts paid during the year covered by the review and the adjustments made.]

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PART III—TRAINING

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CHAPTER 103—SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

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§ 2110. Logistical support

(a) * * *

(b) The Secretary of the military department concerned may provide, or contract with civilian flying or aviation schools or educational institutions to provide, the personnel, aircraft, supplies, facilities, services, and instruction necessary for flight instruction and orientation for properly designated members of the program. [The Secretary of each military department shall report to Congress in April of each year on the progress of the flight instruction program.]

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PART IV—SERVICE, SUPPLY, AND PROCUREMENT

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CHAPTER 137—PROCUREMENT GENERALLY

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§ 2304. Purchases and contracts: formal advertising; exceptions

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[(e) A report shall be made to Congress, on May 19 and November 19 of each year, of the purchases and contracts made under clauses (11) and (16) of subsection (a) during the period since the date of the last report. The report shall—

[(1) name each contractor;

[(2) state the amount of each contract; and

[(3) describe, with consideration of the national security, the property and services covered by each contract.]

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CHAPTER 145—CATALOGING AND STANDARDIZATION

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§ 2445. Reports to Congress

(a) * * *

(b) The Secretary shall report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on January 31 of each year, on the progress of the standardization program within the military departments. Each report shall cover the [yearly period ending with the preceding December 31] *preceding fiscal year.* The report shall contain—

(1) the number of separate specifications that have been consolidated into single specifications for use throughout the Department of Defense;

(2) the reduction in the number of sizes or kinds of items that are generally similar;

(3) the duplications eliminated in services, space, and facilities; and

(4) any other information that the Secretary considers will best inform Congress of the progress of the standardization program.

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CHAPTER 159—REAL PROPERTY; RELATED PERSONAL PROPERTY; AND LEASE OF NON-EXCESS PROPERTY

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§ 2677. Options: property required for public works projects of military departments

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[(c) For each six-month period ending on September 30 or March 31, during which he acquires options under subsection (a), the Secretary of each military department shall report those options to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives.]

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SECTION 112 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973

CLIENT ASSISTANCE

SEC. 112. (a) * * *

(b) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations which shall include the following requirements:

(1) No employees of such projects shall be presently serving as staff or consultants or receiving benefits of any kind directly or indirectly from any rehabilitation project, program, or facility receiving assistance under this Act in the project area.

(2) Each project shall be afforded reasonable access to policymaking and administrative personnel in State and local rehabilitation programs, projects, and facilities.

[(3) The project shall submit an annual report, through the State agency designated pursuant to section 101, to the Secretary on the operation of the project during the previous year, including a summary of the work done and a uniform statistical tabulation of all cases handled by such project. A copy of each such report shall be submitted to the appropriate committees of the Congress by the Secretary, together with a summary of such reports and his evaluation of such projects, including appropriate recommendations.]

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SECTION 203 OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1977

STUDY AND REPORT OF FUEL CONSUMPTION

SEC. 203.[(a)] Following each motor vehicle model year, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall report to the Congress respecting the motor vehicle fuel consumption associated with the standards applicable for the immediately preceding model year.

[(b) The Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Energy shall each submit to Congress, as promptly as practicable following submission by the Administrator of the fuel consumption report referred to in subsection (a), separate reports respecting such fuel consumption.]

SECTION 7 OF THE ELECTRIC AND HYBRID VEHICLE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION ACT OF 1976

SEC. 7. DEMONSTRATIONS.

(a) * * *

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(e)(1) At least 60 days prior to entering into any contract for the purchase or lease of any electric or hybrid vehicle under subsection (c)(1) or any advanced electric or hybrid vehicle under subsection (c)(2), the Administrator shall determine (A) if the purchase or lease of the number of such vehicles specified in such subsection (c)(1) or (c)(2) will, with high probability, displace the normal level of private procurement of such vehicles which would conform to the applicable performance standards promulgated pursuant to subsection (b) and which would be used in the United States, and (B) if such displacement will occur, the necessary extent of such displacement in order to carry out the purposes of this Act. [At the time any such determination is made, the Administrator shall transmit such determination, along with all relevant information in support thereof, to the Committee on Science and Technology of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce of the Senate.]

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SECTION 4 OF THE METHANE TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION ACT OF 1980

DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY

SEC. 4. (a) * * *

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(c) In assuring the effective management of this program, the Secretary shall have specific responsibility to ascertain that the program includes activities to—

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(8) ascertain [and report to the Congress on] any changes in fuel supply patterns, tax policies, and standards governing the manufacture of vehicles which are needed to facilitate the manufacture and use of methane-fueled vehicles.

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SECTION 742 OF THE POWERPLANT AND INDUSTRIAL FUEL USE ACT OF 1978

[SEC. 742. COAL INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE AND COMPETITION STUDY.

[(a) STUDY.—The Secretary shall make a complete investigation of the performance and competition of the coal industry. The study shall be an interagency effort under the direction of the Secretary and shall include participation by—

(1) the Federal Trade Commission,
(2) the Department of Justice,
(3) the Department of Energy,
(4) the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
(5) the Department of the Interior,
(6) the Department of Transportation,
(7) the Department of Commerce,
(8) the Department of Labor,
(9) the Department of State,
(10) the Department of the Treasury,
(11) the Interstate Commerce Commission,
(12) the Council on Wage and Price Stability,
(13) the Tennessee Valley Authority, and
(14) the Appalachian Regional Commission.

[(b) COVERAGE OF STUDY.—The study shall consider the following elements relating to competition:

[(1) interests in, or ownership or production of, coal reserves by firms which—

[(A) own or have an interest in commodity transportation systems by rail, water, or pipeline,

[(B) own or produce oil, natural gas, or uranium, or

[(C) use significant amounts of coal in their processes, including electrical generation and steelmaking,

[(2) prices, profitability, and levels of concentration in sales of various identifiable submarket structures in the coal industry, including the market for—

[(A) steam and metallurgical coal,

[(B) low-sulphur coal,

[(C) lignite, anthracite, bituminous and subbituminous coal,

[(D) spot sales and long-term delivery contracts, and

[(E) exports,

[(3) overall profitability of coal operations,

[(4) capital requirements, sources and uses of funds,

[(5) vertical integration of production, cleaning, processing, gasification, liquefaction, transportation, marketing, distribution, combustion, and other phases of the coal fuel cycle,

[(6) the effect of interfuel ownership, vertical integration, and market concentration upon innovation, efficiency, prices and profits,

[(7) costs of production, transportation, processing, and other components of coal prices for different regions and different types of mines,

[(8) responsiveness of coal supply to market demand,

[(9) productive capacity,

[(10) productivity,

[(11) economies and diseconomies of scale,

[(12) distribution and flow of executive, managerial, and technical personnel between the various coal producers,

[(13) management and directorate interlocks,

[(14) relationships to financial institutions,

[(15) government-industry relationships, including lease bidding, technology, research, development, demonstration and transfer, and personnel movement,

[(16) joint ventures, consortia, and cross-ownership,

[(17) identification of the major owners of coal industry stock,

[(18) control of patents and technologies,

[(19) barriers to greater competition in the market for coal, and

[(20) Federal income tax policies.

[(c) IMPACTS ON COAL-PRODUCING COUNTIES AND STATES.—The study shall evaluate the economic and social impacts upon coal-producing counties and States of present and prospective land ownership patterns and levels of income, property, severance and other taxes paid by coal producers.

[(d) EXPORT OF METALLURGICAL COAL.—The study shall identify and evaluate national policies toward the export of metallurgical coal as they relate to—

[(1) national security,

[(2) national energy goals,

[(3) balance of payments,

[(4) comparative advantage in world trade,

[(5) materials policy,

[(6) United States and international reserves and resources, and

[(7) likely future metallurgical technologies.

[(e) REPORTS.—(1) Pursuant to the provisions of the preceding subsections of this section, the Secretary shall submit to the President for transmittal to the Congress such interim reports as he deems advisable and, not later than 18 months after the effective date of this Act, a comprehensive and final report to the Congress containing the findings with respect to such study and investigation. Such reports may include such legislative and administrative recommendations as the President deems advisable.

[(2) Before submitting a report to the Congress under paragraph (1), the President shall—

[(A) publish in the Federal Register a notice and summary of the proposed report and make copies of such report available and afford interested persons an opportunity (of not less than 90 days' duration) to present written comments; and

[(B) make such modifications of such report as he may consider appropriate on the basis of such comments.

[(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary for allocation between the Department of Energy and the other agencies participating in the study under this section for the fiscal years 1979 and 1980, not to exceed $18,000,000 to carry out the provisions of this section.]

SECTION 1120 OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PROJECTS

SEC. 1120. [(a)] No payment shall be made under this Act with respect to any experimental, pilot, demonstration, or other project all or any part of which is wholly financed with Federal funds made available under this Act (without any State, local, or other non-Federal financial participation) unless such project shall have been personally approved by the Secretary or Under Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.

[(b) As soon as possible after the approval of any project under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a description of such project including a statement of its purpose, probable cost, and expected duration.]

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT

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TITLE III—GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

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PART D—PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Subpart I—Primary Health Centers

MIGRANT HEALTH

SEC. 329. (a) * * *

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(f)(1) No grant may be made under subsection (c) or (d) and no contract may be entered into under subsection (c)(1)(B), (d)(1)(B), or (e) unless an application therefore is submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary. Such an application shall be submitted in such form and manner and shall contain such information as the Secretary shall prescribe. An application for a grant or contract which will cover the costs of modernizing a building shall include, in addition to other information required by the Secretary—

(A) a description of the site of the building,

(B) plans and specifications for its modernization, and

(C) reasonable assurance that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors in the performance of work on the modernization of the building will be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar work in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Act of March 3, 1931 (40 U.S.C. 276a—276a-5, known as the Davis-Bacon Act).

The Secretary of Labor shall have with respect to the labor standards referred to in subparagraph (C) the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 74 of 1950 (15 F.R. 3176; 5 U.S.C. Appendix) and section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934 (40 U.S.C. 276c).

(2) An application for a grant under subparagraph (A) of subsection (d)(1) for a migrant health center shall include—

(A) a description of the need in the center's catchment area for each of the health services described in subparagraph (D) and (E) of subsection (a)(1) and in subparagraphs (B), (F), (J), and (L) of subsection (a)(7),

(B) if the applicant determines that any such service is not needed, the basis for such determination, and

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(4) In considering applications for grants and contracts under subsection (c) or (d)(1)(B), the Secretary shall give priority to applications submitted by community-based organizations which are representative of the populations to be served through the projects, programs, or centers to be assisted by such grants or contracts.

(5) The Secretary, in making a grant under this section to a migrant health center for the provision of environmental health services described in subsection (a)(1)(D), may designate a portion of the grant health center for the provision of environmental health services the written consent of the owner has been obtained and which are necessary to alleviate a hazard to the health of those residing on, or otherwise using, the property and of other persons in the center's catchment area. A center may make such an expenditure for an im-

provement under a grant only after the Secretary has specifically approved such expenditures and has determined that funds for the improvement are not available from any other source. [The Secretary shall annually notify the appropriate committees of Congress of the amounts so expended and the improvements for which they were spent.]

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Subpart II—National Health Service Corps Program

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ANNUAL REPORTS

SEC. 336A. The Secretary shall submit an annual report to Congress [on May 1 of each year], and shall include in such report with respect to the previous calendar year—

(1) the number, identity, and priority of all health manpower shortage areas designated in such year and the number of health manpower shortage areas which the Secretary estimates will be designated in the subsequent year;

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SECTION 640 OF THE HEAD START ACT

ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS; LIMITATIONS ON ASSISTANCE

SEC. 640. (a) * * *

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(d) The Secretary shall establish policies and procedures designed to assure that for fiscal year 1982 and thereafter no less than 10 percent of the total number of enrollment opportunities in Head Start programs in each State shall be available for handicapped children (as defined in paragraph (1) of section 602 of the Education of the Handicapped Act) and that services shall be provided to meet their special needs. [The Secretary shall report to the Congress at least annually on the status of handicapped children in Head Start programs, including the number of children being served, their handicapping conditions, and the services being provided such children.]

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JOINT RESOLUTION OF AUGUST 14, 1976

JOINT RESOLUTION Providing for Federal participation in preserving the Tule elk population in California

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SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior shall submit, on or before the first of March [of each year] *of 1983 and each third year thereafter*, a report to the Congress as to the estimated size and condition of the

various Tule elk herds in California and the nature and condition of their respective habitats. The Secretary shall include in such report his determination as to whether or not the preservation of the Tule elk herd at its then-existing level is, or may be, endangered or threatened by actual or proposed changes in land use or land management practices on lands owned by any Federal, State, or local agency, together with his recommendations as to what Fedreal actions, if any, should be taken in order to preserve the Tule elk herds at the then-existing level or such level as may be determined from time to time by the State of California.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of the Interior, in coordination with all Federal, State, and other officers having jurisdiction over lands on which Tule elk herds are located or lands which would provide suitable Tule elk habitat, shall develop a plan for Tule elk restoration and conservation, including habitat management, which shall be integrated with the comparable plans of State and local authorities in California. [The Secretary's annual report to Congress shall describe the development and implementation of such plan.]

SECTION 3 OF THE ACT OF AUGUST 21, 1951

AN ACT To provide for the use of the tribal funds of the Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation, to authorize a per capita payment out of such funds, to provide for the division of certain tribal funds with the Southern Utes, and for other purposes

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[SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior shall make a full and complete annual progress report to the Congress of his activities and of the expenditures authorized under section 1.]

SECTION 4352 OF TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE

§ 4352. Authority of Institute; report to President and Congress; time; records of recipients; access; scope of section [1]

(a) * * *

[(b) The Institute shall on or before the 31st day of December of each year submit an annual report for the preceding fiscal year to the President and to the Congress. The report shall include a comprehensive and detailed report of the Institute's operations, activities, financial condition, and accomplishments under this title and may include such recommendations related to corrections as the Institute deems appropriate.]

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TRUTH IN LENDING ACT

§ 114. Reports by Board and Attorney General

[Each year the Board and the Attorney General shall, respectively, make reports to the Congress concerning the administration of their

functions under this title, including such recommendations as the Board and the Attorney General, respectively, deem necessary or appropriate.] *Each year the Board shall make a report to the Congress concerning the administration of its functions under this title, including such recommendations as the Board deems necessary or appropriate.* In addition, each report of the Board shall include its assessment of the extent to which compliance with the requirements imposed under this title is being achieved.

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[§ 203. Reports by Attorney General

[The Attorney General shall make an annual report to Congress of the activities of the Department of Justice in the enforcement of chapter 42 of title 18 of the United States Code.]

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SECTION 6 OF PUBLIC LAW 90–83

AN ACT To amend titles 5, 14, and 37, United States Code, to codify recent law, and to improve the Code

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SEC. 6. (a) * * *

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[(f) The Secretary of Labor shall report to Congress not later than January 15 of each year the number of cases reviewed by him under this section and the number of Exemplary Rehabilitation Certificates issued.]

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SECTION 182 OF THE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ACT OF 1963

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSIONER

SEC. 182. (a) The Commissioner and the Secretary of Labor together shall—

(1) develop and disseminate accurate information on the status of bilingual vocational training in all parts of the United States; *and*

(2) evaluate the impact of such bilingual vocational training on the shortages of well-trained personnel, the unemployment or underemployment of persons with limited English-speaking ability, and the ability of such persons to acquire sufficient job skills and English language skills to contribute fully to the economy of the United States[; *and*].

[(3) report their findings annually to the President and the Congress.]

(b) The Commissioner shall consult with the Secretary of Labor with respect to the administration of this part. Regulations and guidelines promulgated by the Commissioner to carry out this part shall be consistent with those promulgated by the Secretary of Labor pursu-

ant to section 301(b) of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973 and shall be approved by the Secretary of Labor before issuance.

Section 41 of the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act

SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS

SEC. 41. (a) Every employer shall furnish and maintain employment and places of employment which shall be reasonably safe for his employees in all employments covered by this Act and shall install, furnish, maintain, and use such devices and safeguards with particular reference to equipment used by and working conditions established by such employers as the Secretary may determine by regulation or order to be reasonably necessary to protect the life, health, and safety of such employees, and to render safe such employment and places of employment, and to prevent injury to his employees. However, the Secretary may not make determinations by regulation or order under this section as to matters within the scope of title 52 of the Revised Statutes and Acts supplementary or amendatory thereto, the Act of June 15, 1917 (ch. 30, 40 Stat. 220), as amended, or section 4(e) of the Act of August 7, 1953 (ch. 345, 67 Stat. 462), as amended.

(b) The Secretary, in enforcing and administering the provisions of this section, is authorized in addition to such other powers and duties as are conferred upon him—

(1) to make studies and investigations with respect to safety provisions and the causes and prevention of injuries in employments covered by this Act [and from time to time make to Congress such recommendations as he may deem proper as to the best means of preventing such injuries], and in making such studies and investigations to cooperate with any agency of the United States or with any State agency engaged in similar work;

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Section 19 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970

FEDERAL AGENCY SAFETY PROGRAMS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

SEC. 19. (a) It shall be the responsibility of the head of each Federal agency to establish and maintain an effective and comprehensive occupational safety and health program which is consistent with the standards promulgated under section 6. The head of each agency shall (after consultation with representatives of the employees thereof)—

(1) provide safe and healthful places and conditions of employment, consistent with the standards set under section 6;

(2) acquire, maintain, and require the use of safety equipment, personal protective equipment, and devices reasonably necessary to protect employees;

(3) keep adequate records of all occupational accidents and illnesses for proper evaluation and necessary corrective action;

(4) consult with the Secretary with regard to the adequacy as to form and content of records kept pursuant to subsection (a) (3) of this section; and

(5) make an annual report to the Secretary with respect to occupational accidents and injuries and the agency's program under this section. Such report shall include any report submitted under section 7902(e) (2) of title 5, United States Code.

(b) The Secretary shall report to the President a summary or digest of reports submitted to him under subsection (a) (5) of this section, together with his evaluations of and recommendations derived from such reports. [The President shall transmit annually to the Senate and the House of Representatives a report of the activities of Federal agencies under this section.]

(c) Section 7902(c) (1) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by inserting after "agencies" the following: "and of labor organizations representing employees".

(d) The Secretary shall have access to records and reports kept and filed by Federal agencies pursuant to subsections (a) (3) and (5) of this section unless those records and reports are specifically required by Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, in which case the Secretary shall have access to such information as will not jeopardize national defense or foreign policy.

TITLE 23, UNITED STATES CODE

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CHAPTER 1.—FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

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§ 151. Pavement marking demonstration program.

(a) * * *

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(g) Each State shall report to the Secretary of Transportation not later than September 30, 1974, and not later than October 30 of each year thereafter, on the progress being made in implementing the program and the effectiveness of the improvements made under it. Each report shall include an analysis and evaluation of the number, rate, and severity of accidents at improved locations and the cost-benefit ratio of such improvements, comparing an adequate time period before and after treatment in order to properly assess the benefits occurring from such pavement markings. [The Secretary of Transportation shall submit a report to the Congress not later than January 1, 1975, and not later than April 1 of each year thereafter, on the progress being made in implementing the program and the safety benefits achieved under it. No State shall submit any such report to the Secretary for any year after the second year following completion of the pavement marking program in that State, and the Secretary

shall not submit any such report to Congress after the first year following the completion of the pavement marking program in all States.] *No State shall submit any such report to the Secretary for any year after the second year following completion of the pavement marking program in that State.*

§ 152. Hazard elimination program.

(a) * * *

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(g) Each State shall report to the Secretary of Transportation not later than December 30 of each year, on the progress being made to implement highway safety improvement projects for hazard elimination and the effectiveness of such improvements. Each State report shall contain an assessment of the cost of, and safety benefits derived from, the various means and methods used to mitigate or eliminate hazards and the previous and subsequent accident experience at these locations. The Secretary of Transportation shall submit a report to the Congress not later than April 1 of each year on the progress being made by the States in implementing the hazard elimination program. (*including but not limited to any projects for pavement marking*). The report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of projects undertaken, their distribution by cost range, road system, means and methods used, and the previous and subsequent accident experience at improved locations. In addition, the Secretary's report shall analyze and evaluate each State program, identify any State found not to be in compliance with the schedule of improvements required by subsection (a) and include recommendations for future implementation of the hazard elimination program.

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REVISED STATUTES

SEC. 4417a. (1) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—* * *

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[(19) REPORT.—Within six months after the end of each calendar year, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress—

[(A) a report on the administration of this section during the preceding calendar year;

[(B) a summary of inspection and enforcement activities during the preceding calendar year; and

[(C) recommendations to the Congress for any additional legislative authority necessary to improve navigation and vessel safety and protection of the marine environment.]

SECTION 602 OF THE REGIONAL RAIL REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1973

[ANNUAL EVALUATION BY THE SECRETARY

[SEC. 602. As part of his annual report each year, the Secretary shall transmit to Congress each year a comprehensive report on

the effectiveness of the Association and the Corporation in implementing the purposes of this Act, together with any recommendations for additional legislative or other action.]

SECTION 28 OF THE MINERAL LEASING ACT OF 1920

GRANT OF AUTHORITY

SEC. 28. (a) * * *

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REPORTS

(w)(1) The Secretary and other appropriate agency heads shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs annually on the administration of this section and on the safety and environmental requirements imposed pursuant thereto.

(2) The Secretary or agency head shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs promptly upon receipt of an application for a right-of-way for a pipeline twenty-four inches or more in diameter, and no right-of-way for such a pipeline shall be granted until sixty days (not counting days on which the House of Representatives or the Senate has adjourned for more than three days) after a notice of intention to grant the right-of-way, together with the Secretary's or agency head's detailed findings as to terms and conditions he proposes to impose, has been submitted to such committees, unless each committee by resolution waives the waiting period.

(3) Periodically, but at least once a year, the Secretary of the Department of Transportation shall cause the examination of all pipelines and associated facilities on Federal lands and shall cause the prompt reporting of any potential leaks or safety problems.

[(4) The Secretary of the Department of Transportation shall report annually to the President, the Congress, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Interstate Commerce Commission any potential dangers of or actual explosions, or potential or actual spillage on Federal lands and shall include in such report a statement of corrective action taken to prevent such explosion or spillage.]

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SECTION 515 OF THE RAILROAD REVITALIZATION AND REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 1976

[ANNUAL REPORT

[SEC. 515. The Secretary shall report to the Congress within 90 days following the end of each fiscal year on the financial condition and operations of the Fund and of the obligation guarantee fund during such fiscal year, and on the anticipated condition and operations of the Fund and of the obligation guarantee fund during the current fiscal year.]

SECTION 602 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1980

AN ACT To provide for increased participation by the United States in the Inter-American Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and the African Development Fund

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SEC. 602. (a) * * *

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[(c) The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Director of the United States International Development Cooperation Agency, shall report to the Congress not later than six months after the date of enactment of this Act and annually thereafter on the progress toward achieving the goals set forth in this title.]

SECTION 4 OF THE FEDERAL POWER ACT

SEC. 4. The Commission is hereby authorized and empowered—

(a) * * *

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(d) To make public from time to time the information secured hereunder and to provide for the publication of its reports and investigations in such form and manner as may be best adapted for public information and use. The Commission, on or before the 3d day of January of each year, shall submit to Congress for the fiscal year preceding a classified report showing the permits and licenses issued under this Part, and in each case the parties thereto, the terms prescribed, and the moneys received if any, or account thereof. [Such report shall contain the names and show the compensation of the persons employed by the Commission.]

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SECTION 10327 OF TITLE 49, UNITED STATES CODE

§ 10327. Commission action and appellate procedure in rail carrier proceedings

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(j) The Commission may extend a time period established by this section for a period of not more than 90 days. The extension shall be granted if a majority of the Commissioners agree to it by public vote. [The Commission shall send a written annual report to each House of Congress about extensions granted under this subsection. The report shall specify each extension granted (classified by the type of proceeding involved) together with the reasons for and duration of each extension.]

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SECTION 11 OF THE ACT OF NOVEMBER 6, 1978

AN ACT To authorize appropriations to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for fiscal year 1979, and for other purposes

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[SEC. 11. The Commission shall report to the Congress on January 1, 1979, and annually thereafter on the use of contractors, consultants, and the National Laboratories by the Commission. Such report shall include, for each contract issued, in progress or completed during fiscal year 1978, information on the bidding procedure, nature of the work, amount and duration of the contract, progress of work, relation to previous contracts, and the relation between the amount of the contract and the amount actually spent.]

SECTION 10 OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ACT

SEC. 10. (a) * * *

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(g) The Administration shall transmit, not later than December 31 of each year, to the Senate Select Committee on Small Business and Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives a sealed report with respect to—

[(1) complaints alleging illegal conduct by employees of the Administration which were received or acted upon by the Administration during the preceding fiscal year; and]

[2] *(1)* investigations undertaken by the Administration, including external and internal audits and security and investigation reports.

TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE

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PART II—GENERAL BENEFITS

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CHAPTER 17—HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, DOMICILIARY, AND MEDICAL CARE

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Subchapter II—Hospital, Nursing Home or Domiciliary Care and Medical Treatment

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§ 612. Eligibility for medical treatment

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(b)(1) Outpatient dental services and treatment, and related dental appliances, shall be furnished under this section only for a dental condition or disability—

(A) which is service-connected and compensable in degree;

(B) which is service-connected, but not compensable in degree, but only if—

(i) the dental condition or disability is shown to have been in existence at time of discharge or release from active military, naval, or air service;

(ii) the veteran had served on active duty for a period of not less than one hundred and eighty days immediately before such discharge or release;

(iii) application for treatment is made within ninety days after such discharge or release, except that (I) in the case of a veteran who reentered active military, naval, or air service within ninety days after the date of such veteran's prior discharge or release from such service, application may be made within ninety days from the date of such veteran's subsequent discharge or release from such service, and (II) if a disqualifying discharge or release has been corrected by competent authority, application may be made within ninety days after the date of correction; and

(iv) the veteran's certificate of discharge or release from active duty does not bear a certification that the veteran was provided, within the ninety-day period immediately before the date of such discharge or release, a complete dental examination (including dental X-rays) and all appropriate dental services and treatment indicated by the examination to be needed;

(C) which is a service-connected dental condition or disability due to combat wounds or other service trauma, or of a former prisoner of war;

(D) which is associated with and is aggravating a disability resulting from some other disease or injury which was incurred in or aggravated by active military, naval, or air service;

(E) which is a non-service-connected condition or disability of a veteran for which treatment was begun while such veteran was receiving hospital care under this chapter and such services and treatment are reasonably necessary to complete such treatment;

(F) from which a veteran of the Spanish-American War or Indian Wars is suffering;

(G) from which a veteran who is a former prisoner of war and who was detained or interned for a period of not less than six months is suffering; or

(H) from which a veteran who has a service-connected disability rated as total is suffering.

(2) The Secretary concerned shall at the time a member of the Armed Forces is discharged or released from a period of active military, naval, or air service of not less than 180 days provide to such member a written explanation of the provisions of clause (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection and enter in the service records of the member a statement signed by the member acknowledging receipt of such explanation (or, if the member refuses to sign such statement, a certification from an officer designated for such purpose by the Secretary concerned that the member was provided such explanation).

(3) The total amount which the Administrator may expend for furnishing, during any twelve-month period, outpatient dental services, treatment, or related dental appliances to a veteran under this section through private facilities for which the Administrator has contracted under clause (i), (ii), or (v) of section 601(4)(C) of this title may not exceed $500 unless the Administrator determines, prior to the furnishing of such services, treatment, or appliances and based on an examination of the veteran by a dentist employed by the Veterans' Administration (or, in an area where no such dentist is available, by a dentist conducting such examination under a contract or fee arrangement), that the furnishing of such services, treatment, or appliances at such cost is reasonably necessary.

[(4) In any year in which the President's Budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1 of such year includes an amount for expenditures for contract dental care under the provisions of subsections (a) and (f) of this section and section 601(4)(C) of this title during such fiscal year in excess of the level of expenditures made for such purpose during fiscal year 1978, the Administrator shall, not later than February 15 of such year, submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Congress justifying the requested level of expenditures for contract dental care and explaining why the application of the criteria prescribed in section 601(4)(C) of this title for contracting with private facilities and in the second sentence of section 610(c) of this title for furnishing incidental dental care to hospitalized veterans will not preclude the need for expenditures for contract dental care in excess of the fiscal year 1978 level of expenditures for such purpose. In any case in which the amount included in the President's Budget for any fiscal year for expenditures for contract dental care under such provisions is not in excess of the level of expenditures made for such purpose during fiscal year 1978 and the Administrator determines after the date of submission of such budget and before the end of such fiscal year that the level of expenditures for such contract dental care during such fiscal year will exceed the fiscal year 1978 level of expenditures, the Administrator shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Congress containing both a justification (with respect to the projected level of expenditures for such fiscal year) and an explanation as required in the preceding sentence in the case of a report submitted pursuant to such sentence. Any report submitted pursuant to this paragraph shall include a comment by the Administrator on the effect of the application of the criteria prescribed in the second sentence of section 610(c) of this title for furnishing incidental dental care to hospitalized veterans.]

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PART V—BOARDS AND DEPARTMENTS

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CHAPTER 73—DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

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Subchapter IV—Veterans' Administration Health Professional Scholarship Program

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§ 4142. Eligibility; application; written contract

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(h) The Administrator shall report to Congress not later than March 1 of each year—

(1) the number of students receiving scholarships under the Scholarship Program and the number of students enrolled in each type of health profession training;

(2) the educational institutions providing such training;

(3) the number of applications filed, by health profession category, under this section during the school year beginning in such year and the total number of such applications so filed for all years in which the Scholarship Program has been in existence;

(4) the number of scholarships accepted, by health profession category, during such school year and the number, by health profession category, which were offered and not accepted, [together with a summary of the reasons that such scholarships were not accepted]; and

(5) the amount of tuition and other expenses paid, by health profession category, in the aggregate and at each educational institution for the school year beginning in usch year and for prior school years.

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SECTION 201 OF THE VETERANS HEALTH CARE AMENDMENTS OF 1979

DEFINITION OF "VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION FACILITIES"

SEC. 201. (a) * * *

[(b) Not later than February 1, 1980, and anually thereafter, the Chief Medical Director of the Veterans' Administration shall submit to the appropriate committees of the Congress, through the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, a full report on the implementation of section 601(4)(C)(v) of title 38, United States Code, and the amendments made by this section, and on the numbers of veterans provided contract treatment (and the average cost and duration thereof) in each State (as defined in section 101(20) of title 38, United States Code) in the categories described in the following provisions of such title: sections 601(4)(C), 610(a), 612(a), 612(f)(1)(A), 612(f)(1)(B), 612(f)(2), 612(g), 612A (as added by section 103(a)(1) of this Act), the third sentence of section 612(f) (as added by section 102(b)(2) of this Act), and section 620A (as added by section 104(a) of this Act).]

SECTION 605 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT OF 1974

BUDGET DATA BASED ON CONSTITUTION OF EXISTING LEVEL OF SERVICES

SEC. 605. (a) [On or before November 10 of each year (beginning with 1975), the President shall] *Concurrent with the transmittal of the Budget, the President shall* submit to the Senate and the House of Representatives the estimated outlays and proposed budget authority which would be included in the Budget to be submitted pursuant to section 201 of the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921, for the ensuing fiscal year if all programs and activities were carried on during such ensuing fiscal year at the same level as the fiscal year in progress and without policy changes in such programs and activities. The estimated outlays and proposed budget authority submitted pursuant to this section shall be shown by function and subfunctions (in accordance with the classifications in the budget summary table entitled "Budget Authority and Outlays by Function and Agency"), by major programs within each such function, and by agency. Accompanying these estimates shall be the economic and programmatic assumptions underlying the estimated outlays and proposed budget authority, such as the rate of inflation, the rate of real economic growth, the unemployment rate, program caseloads, and pay increases.

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SECTION 552A OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE

§ 552a. Records maintained on individuals

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(e) AGENCY REQUIREMENTS.—Each agency that maintains a system of records shall—

(1) maintain in its records only such information about an individual as is relevant and necessary to accomplish a purpose of the agency required to be accomplished by statute or by executive order of the President;

(2) collect information to the greatest extent practicable directly from the subject individual when the information may result in adverse determinations about an individual's rights, benefits, and privileges under Federal programs;

(3) inform each individual whom it asks to supply information, on the form which it uses to collect the information or on a separate form that can be retained by the individual—

(A) the authority (whether granted by statute, or by executive order of the President) which authorizes the solicitation of the information and whether disclosure of such information is mandatory or voluntary;

(B) the principal purpose or purposes for which the information is intended to be used;

(C) the routine uses which may be made of the information, as published pursuant to paragraph (4) (D) of this subsection; and

(D) the effects on him, if any, of not providing all or any part of the requested information;

(4) subject to the provisions of paragraph (11) of this subsection, publish in the Federal Register [at least annually] *upon establishment or revision* a notice of the existence and character of the system of records, which notice shall include—

(A) the name and location of the system;

(B) the categories of individuals on whom records are maintained in the system;

(C) the categories of records maintained in the system;

(D) each routine use of the records contained in the system, including the categories of users and the purpose of such use;

(E) the policies and practices of the agency regarding storage, retrievability, access controls, retention, and disposal of records;

(F) the title and business address of the agency official who is responsible for the system of records;

(G) the agency procedures whereby an individual can be notified at his request if the system of records contains a record pertaining to him;

(H) the agency procedures whereby an individual can be notified at his request how he can gain access to any record pertaining to him contained in the system of records, and how he can contest its content; and

(I) the categories of sources of records in the system;

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[(p) ANNUAL REPORT.—The President shall submit to the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, by June 30 of each calendar year, a consolidated report, separately listing for each Federal agency the number of records contained in any system of records which were exempted from the application of this section under the provisions of subsections (j) and (k) of this section during the preceding calendar year, and the reasons for the exemptions, and such other information as indicates efforts to administer fully this section.]

(p) ANNUAL REPORT.—The President shall annually submit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate a report—

(1) describing the actions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget pursuant to section 6 of the Privacy Act of 1974 during the preceding year;

(2) describing the exercise of individual rights of access and amendment under this section during such year;

(3) identifying changes in or additions to systems of records;

(4) containing such other information concerning administration of this section as may be necessary or useful to the Congress in reviewing the effectiveness of this section in carrying out the purposes of the Privacy Act of 1974.

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SECTION 6 OF THE FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACT

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

SEC. 6. (a) The President may delegate responsibility for evaluating and taking action, where appropriate, with respect to all public recommendations made to him by Presidential advisory committees.

(b) Within one year after a Presidential advisory committee has submitted a public report to the President, the President or his delegate shall make a report to the Congress stating either his proposals for action or his reasons for inaction, with respect to the recommendations contained in the public report.

(c) [The President shall not later than March 31 of each calendar year (after the year in which this Act is enacted), make an annual report to the Congress on the activities, status, and changes in the composition of advisory committees in existence during the preceding calendar year.] *The President shall, not later than December 31 of each year, make an annual report to the Congress on the activities, status, and changes in the composition of advisory committees in existence during the preceding fiscal year.* The report shall contain the name of every advisory committee, the date of and authority for its creation, its termination date or the date it is to make a report, its functions, a reference to the reports it has submitted, a statement of whether it is in an ad hoc or continuing body, the dates of its meetings, the names and occupations of its current members, and the total estimated annual cost to the United States to fund, service, supply, and maintain such committee. Such report shall include a list of those advisory committees abolished by the President, and in the case of advisory committees established by statute, a list of those advisory committees which the President recommends be abolished together with his reasons therefor. The President shall exclude from this report any information which, in his judgment, should be withheld for reasons of national security, and he shall include in such report a statement that such information is excluded.

SECTION 302 OF THE MARINE PROTECTION, RESEARCH, AND SANCTUARIES ACT OF 1972

SEC. 302. (a) * * *

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[(d) The Secretary shall submit an annual report to the Congress, on or before November 1 of each year, setting forth a comprehensive review of his actions during the previous fiscal year undertaken pursuant to the authority of this section, together with appropriate recommendation for legislation considered necessary for the designation and protection of marine sanctuaries.]

(d) The Secretary shall submit a biennial report to the Congress, on or before March 1 of every other year beginning in 1984, setting forth a comprehensive review of his actions during the previous two fiscal years undertaken pursuant to the authority of this section, together with appropriate recommendation for legislation considered necessary for the designation and protection of marine sanctuaries.

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SECTION 7 OF THE NATIONAL CLIMATE PROGRAM ACT OF 1978

SEC. 7. ANNUAL REPORT.

The Secretary shall prepare and submit to the President and the authorizing committees of the Congress, not later than [January 30] *March 31* of each year, a report on the activities conducted pursuant to this Act during the preceding fiscal year, including—

(a) a summary of the achievements of the Program during the previous fiscal year;

(b) an analysis of the progress made toward achieving the goals and objectives of the Program;

(c) a copy of the 5-year plan and any changes made in such plan;

(d) a summary of the multiagency budget request for the Program of subsection 5(g); and

(e) any recommendations for additional legislation which may be required to assist in achieving the purposes of the Act.

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SECTION 4 OF THE NATIONAL OCEAN POLLUTION RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING PLANNING ACT OF 1978

SEC. 4. COMPREHENSIVE FEDERAL PLAN RELATING TO OCEAN POLLUTION.

(a) LEAD AGENCY FOR PLAN.—The Administrator, in consultation with the Director and other appropriate Federal officials having authority over ocean pollution research and development and monitoring programs, shall prepare, in accordance with this section, a comprehensive 5-year plan (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Plan") for the overall Federal effort in ocean pollution research and development and monitoring. The Plan shall be prepared and submitted to Congress and the President on or before February 15, 1979, [and a revision of the Plan shall be prepared and so submitted by September 15 of each odd-numbered year occurring after 1979] *and a revision of the plan shall be prepared and so submitted by September 15 every three years after 1979.*

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SECTION 808 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZATION ACT, 1978

SEC. 808. (a)[(i) The Secretary of Defense shall supply the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives, not later than October 1 of each year, a full accounting of all experiments and studies conducted by the Department of Defense in the preceding twelve-month period, whether directly or under contract, which involve the use of human subjects for the testing of chemical or biological agents.]

[(2)] Not later than thirty days after final approval within the Department of Defense of plans for any experiment or study to be conducted by the Department of Defense, whether directly or under contract, involving the use of human subjects for the testing of chemical or biological agents, the Secretary of Defense shall supply the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives with a full accounting of such plans for such experiment or study, and such experiment or study may then be conducted only after the expiration of the thirty-day period beginning on the date such accounting is received by such committees.

(b)(1) The Secretary of Defense may not conduct any test or experiment involving the use of any chemical or biological agent on civilian populations unless local civilian officials in the area in which the test or experiment is to be conducted are notified in advance of such test or experiment, and such test or experiment may then be conducted only after the expiration of the thirty-day period beginning on the date of such notification.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall apply to tests and experiments conducted by Department of Defense personnel and tests and experiments conducted on behalf of the Department of Defense by contractors.

SECTION 409 OF THE ACT OF NOVEMBER 19, 1969

AN ACT To authorize appropriations during the fiscal year 1970 for procurement of aircraft, missiles, naval vessels, and tracked combat vehicles, and research, development, test, and evaluation for the Armed Forces, and to authorize the construction of test facilities at Kwajalein Missile Range, and to prescribe the authorized personnel strength of the Selected Reserve of each reserve component of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes

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SEC. 409. (a) The Secretary of Defense shall submit an annual report to Congress on or before January 31 setting forth the amounts spent during the preceding year for research, development, test, and evaluation of all lethal and nonlethal chemical and biological agents. The Secretary shall include in each report a full explanation of each expenditure, including the purpose and the necessity therefor. *The report shall include a full accounting of all experiments and studies conducted by the Department of Defense in the preceding year, whether directly or under contract, which involve the use of human subjects for the testing of chemical or biological agents.*

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SECTION 201 OF THE FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1955

FEDERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

SEC. 201. The President is hereby authorized to designate, with provision for redelegation, the head (hereinafter referred to as the Presidential designee) of any executive department or agency to coor-

dinate and facilitate such actions as may be required to discharge Federal responsibilities under this Act. The Presidential designee is authorized to request from other executive departments and agencies such assistance as he deems necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act, and shall submit a report to the President and to the Congress in [odd-numbered years] *the first odd-numbered year following the year in which the Presidential election is held.* Such report shall cover the administration of Federal responsibilities authorized under this title, the progress of the States in carrying out the recommendations contained in title I, statistical data relating to absentee voting, and such other information as the Presidential designee may consider appropriate.

SECTION 605 OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT OF 1965

RESEARCH; STUDIES; ANNUAL REPORT

SEC. 605. (a) The Secretary may, directly or through grants or contracts, conduct research and studies which contribute to the purposes of this part and part N of title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. Such research and studies may include but are not limited to—

(1) studies and surveys to determine the need for increased or improved instruction in modern foreign languages and in other fields needed to provide a full understanding of the places in which such languages are commonly used;

(2) research on more effective methods of providing instruction and evaluating competency in such foreign languages and other fields; and

(3) the development of specialized materials for use in providing such instruction and evaluation or for use in training individuals to provide such instruction and evaluation.

(b) The Secretary shall prepare and publish an annual report [which shall include an index and analysis] *listing* of the books and research materials produced with assistance under this title.

SECTION 208 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ORGANIZATION ACT

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SEC. 208. (a) * * *

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[(c) The Inspector General shall, not later than March 31 of each year, submit a report to the Secretary. to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and to the Congress summarizing the activities of the Office during the preceding calendar year. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to—

[(1) an identification and description of significant problems, abuses, and deficiencies relating to the administration of pro-

grams and operations of the Department disclosed by such activities;

[(2) a description of recommendations for corrective action made by the Office with respect to significant problems, abuses, or deficiencies identified and described under paragraph (1);

[(3) an evaluation of progress made in implementing recommendations described in the report or, where appropriate, in previous reports; and

[(4) a summary of matters referred to prosecutive authorities and the extent to which prosecutions and convictions have resulted.]

(c)(1) The Inspector General shall, not later than May 31 and November 30 of each year, submit to the Secretary and the Congress semiannual reports summarizing the activities of the Office during the immediately preceding six-month periods ending March 31 and September 30. Such reports shall include, but need not be limited to—

(A) a description of significant problems, abuses, and deficiencies relating to the administration of programs and operations of the Department disclosed by such activities during the reporting periods;

(B) a description of the recommendations for corrective action made by the Office during the reporting period with respect to significant problems, abuses, or deficiencies identified pursuant to subparagraph (A);

(C) an identification of each significant recommendation described in previous reports under this subsection on which corrective action has not been completed;

(D) a summary of matters referred to prosecutive authorities and the prosecutions and convictions which have resulted; and

(E) information concerning the numbers and types of audit reports completed by the Office during the reporting period.

(2) Within sixty days of the transmission of each semiannual report to the Congress, the Secretary shall make copies of such report available to the public upon request and at a reasonable cost.

(d) The Inspector General shall report immediately to the Secretary, to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as appropriate, and, within [thirty] *seven* days thereafter, to the appropriate committees or subcommittees of the Congress whenever the Office becomes aware of particularly serious or flagrant problems, abuses, or deficiencies relating to the administration of programs and operations of the Department. The Deputy and Assistant Inspectors General shall have particular responsibility for informing the Inspector General of such problems, abuses, or deficiencies.

PUBLIC LAW 94–505

AN ACT to authorize conveyance of the interests of the United States in certain lands in Salt Lake County, Utah, to Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, a Colorado corporation

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BEST DOCUMENT AVAILABLE

REPORTS

[SEC. 204. (a) The Inspector General shall, not later than March 31 of each year, submit a report to the Secretary and to the Congress summarizing the activities of the Office during the preceding calendar year. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to—

[(1) an indentification and description of significant problems, abuses, and deficiencies relating to the administration of programs and operations of the Department disclosed by such activities;

[(2) a description of recommendations for corrective action made by the Office with respect to significant problems, abuses, or deficiencies identified and described under paragraph (1);

[(3) an evaluation of progress made in implementing recommendations described in the report or, where appropriate, in previous reports; and

[(4) a summary of matters referred to prosecutive authorities and the extent to which prosecutions and convictions have resulted.

[(b) The Inspector General shall make reports on a quarterly basis to the Secretary and to the appropriate committees or subcommittees of the Congress identifying any significant problems, abuses, or deficiencies concerning which the Office has made a recommendation for corrective action and on which, in the judgment of the Inspector General, adequate progress is not being made.]

SEC. 204. (a) The Inspector General shall, not later than May 31 and November 30 of each year, submit to the Secretary and the Congress semiannual reports summarizing the activities of the Office during the immediately preceding six-month periods ending March 31 and September 30. Such reports shall include, but need not be limited to—

(1) a description of significant problems, abuses, and deficiencies relating to the administration of programs and operations of the Department disclosed by such activities during the reporting period;

(2) a description of the recommendations for corrective action made by the Office during the reporting period with respect to significant problems, abuses, or deficiencies identified pursuant to paragraph (1);

(3) an identification of each significant recommendation described in previous reports under this section on which corrective action has not been completed;

(4) a summary of matters referred to prosecutive authorities and the prosecutions and convictions which have resulted;

(5) a summary of each report made to the Secretary under section 205(b)(2) during the reporting period; and

(6) information concerning the numbers and types of audit reports completed by the Office during the reporting period.

(b) Within sixty days of the transmission of each semiannual report to the Congress, the Secretary shall make copies of such report available to the public upon request and at a reasonable cost.

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SECTION 817 OF THE HOUSING ACT OF 1954

REPORT TO CONGRESS OF INFORMATION ON HOUSING

SEC. 817. The annual report made by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to the President for submission to the Congress on all operations provided for by section 802 hereof shall contain pertinent information with respect to all projects for which any loan, contribution, or grant has been made by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the amount of loans, contributions and grants contracted for [, and shall also contain pertinent information with respect to all builders' cost certifications required by section 227 of the National Housing Act, as amended, including information as to the amounts paid by mortgagors to mortgagees for application to the reduction of the principal obligations of the mortgages pursuant to that section.].

SECTION 311 OF THE ENERGY CONSERVATION AND PRODUCTION ACT

MONITORING OF STATE AND LOCAL ADOPTION OF ENERGY CONSERVATION STANDARDS FOR BUILDINGS

SEC. 311. The Secretary, with the advice and assistance of the National Institute of Building Sciences, shall—

(1) monitor the progress made by the States and their political subdivisions in adopting and enforcing energy conservation standards for new buildings;

(2) identify any procedural obstacles or technical constraints inhibiting implementation of such standards;

(3) evaluate the effectiveness of such prevailing standards; and

(4) within 12 months after the date of enactment of this title, and semiannually thereafter, report to the Congress on (A) the progress of the States and units of general purpose local government in adopting and implementing energy conservation standards for new buildings, and (B) the effectiveness of such standards, *except that, with respect to reports transmitted to the Congress after August 4, 1981, such reports shall be transmitted biennially.*

ACT OF JULY 1, 1932

AN ACT To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust reimbursable debts of Indians and tribes of Indians

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to adjust or eliminate reimbursable charges of the Government of the United States existing as debts against individual Indians or tribes of Indians in such a way as shall be equitable and just in consideration of all the circumstances under which such charges were made: *Provided*, That

the collection of all construction costs against any Indian owned lands within any Government irrigation project is hereby deferred, and no assessments shall be made on behalf of such charges against such lands until the Indian title thereto shall have been extinguished, and any construction assessments heretofore levied against such lands in accordance with the provisions of the Act of February 14, 1920 (41 Stat. L. 409), and uncollected, are hereby canceled: [*Provided further*, That a report shall be made to Congress annually, on the first Monday in December, showing adjustments so made during the preceding fiscal year:] *Provided further, That the Secretary shall report such adjustments and eliminations to the Congress not later than sixty calendar days following the end of the fiscal year in which they are made: Provided further*, That any proceedings hereunder shall not be effective until approved by Congress unless Congress shall have failed to act favorably or unfavorably thereon by concurrent resolution within [sixty legislative days] *ninety calendar days* after the filing of said report, in which case they shall become effective at the termination of the said [sixty legislative days] *ninety calendar days.*

Section 1136 of the Education Amendments of 1978

ANNUAL REPORT

Sec. 1136. The Secretary shall submit to each appropriate committee of the Congress a detailed annual report on the state of education within the Bureau and any problems encountered in the field of education during the year. Such report shall contain suggestions for improving the Bureau educational system and increasing local Indian control of such system. *Such report shall also include the current status of tribally controlled community colleges. The annual budget submission for the Bureau's education programs shall, among other things, include (1) information on the funds provided previously private schools under section 208 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (88 Stat. 2216; 25 U.S.C. 458d) and recommendations with respect to the future use of such funds; (2) the needs and costs of operation and maintenance of tribally controlled community colleges eligible for assistance under the Tribally Controlled Community College Assistance Act of 1978 (92 Stat. 1325; 25 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.) and recommendations with respect to meeting such needs and costs; and (3) the plans required by section 1121(f), and 1122(c); and 1125(b) of this Act (25 U.S.C. 2001(f), 2002(c), and 2005(b)).*

Tribally Controlled Community College Assistance Act of 1978

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GRANTS TO TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Sec. 106. (a) * * *

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[(c) The Secretary shall report to Congress on January 15 of each year the current status of tribally controlled community colleges and his recommendations for needed action.]

AMOUNT OF GRANTS

SEC. 107. (a) * * *

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(c)(1) Each institution receiving payments under this title shall annually provide to the Secretary an accurate and detailed accounting of its operating and maintenance expenses and such other information concerning costs as the Secretary may request.

(2) The Secretary shall, in consultation with the National Center for Education Statistics, establish a data collection system for the purpose of obtaining accurate information with respect to the needs and costs of operation and maintenance of tribally controlled community colleges. [The Secretary shall report annually to the Congress on such needs.]

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SECTION 208 OF THE INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT

SEC. 208. The Secretary is authorized and directed to provide funds, pursuant to this Act; the Act of April 16, 1934 (48 Stat. 596), as amended; or any other authority granted to him to any tribe or tribal organization which controls and manages any previously private school. [The Secretary shall transmit annually to the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Senate and House of Representatives a report on the educational assistance program conducted pursuant to this section.]

SECTION 918 OF THE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER ACT

§ 918. Reports to Congress

(a) [Not later than twelve months after the effective date of this title and at one-year intervals thereafter, the Board and the Attorney General shall, respectively, make reports to the Congress concerning the administration of their functions under this title, including such recommendations as the Board and the Attorney General, respectively, deem necessary or appropriate.] *Not later than twelve months after the effective date of this title and at one-year intervals thereafter, the Board shall make reports to the Congress concerning the administration of its functions under this title, including such recommendations as the Board deems necessary and appropriate.* In addition, each report of the Board shall include its assessment of the extent to which compliance with this title is being achieved, and a summary of the enforcement actions taken under section 917 of this title. In such report, the Board shall particularly adddess the effects of this title on the costs and benefits to financial institutions and consumers, on competition, on the

introduction of new technology, on the operations of financial institutions, and on the adequacy of consumer protection. [The report of the Attorney General shall also contain an analysis of the impact of this title on the operation, workload, and efficiency of the Federal courts.]

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SECTION 252 OF THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS

SEC. 252. (a) * * *

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(i) The Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission shall each submit to the Congress and to the President, at least once every [6 months] *year*, a report on the impact on competition and on small business of actions authorized by this section.

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SECTION 10 OF THE EMERGENCY RAIL SERVICES ACT OF 1970

[REPORTS

[SEC. 10. The Secretary shall make a report to the President and the Congress on the financial condition of each railroad except the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey and the Penn Central Transportation Company, having a loan guaranteed under this Act ninety days after the making of such guarantee and annually thereafter throughout the existence of such loan.]

SECTION 409 OF THE STAGGERS RAIL ACT OF 1980

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT

SEC. 409. Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary of Transportation shall submit a report to the Congress listing the specific Federal assistance provided the railroad industry during such fiscal year. Each such report shall set forth the reasons for each Federal loan or grant and explain the way in which such loan or grant contributed to the overall goal of providing a safe and efficient transportation system. *In each report the Secretary shall advise the Congress on the past and anticipated financial condition and operations during the fiscal year of the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Fund established under section 502(a) of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94-210) and of the Obligation Guarantee Fund established under section 511(b) of that*

Act. In addition, the Secretary shall include in the report information on the financial condition of each railroad having a loan guaranteed under the Emergency Rail Services Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-663), throughout the existence of such loan.

SECTION 701 OF THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT

SEC. 701. (a) * * *

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(c) (1) The Secretaries of State and Treasury shall report annually to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate on the progress toward achieving the goals of this title, *excluding section 704 and* including the listing required in subsection (d).

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SECTION 3 OF THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

SEC. 3. (a) * * *

(c) The Board shall at the close of each fiscal year make a report in writing to Congress and to the President [stating in detail the cases it has heard, the decisions it has rendered, and an account of all moneys it has disbursed] *summarizing significant case activities and operations for that fiscal year.*

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SECTION 4 OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION ACT OF 1950

NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

SEC. 4. (a) The Board shall consist of twenty-four members to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and of the Director ex officio. In making nominations under this section, the President shall give due regard to equitable representation of scientists who are women or who represent minority groups. In addition to any powers and functions otherwise granted to it by this Act, the Board shall establish the policies of the Foundation.

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[(j) The Board shall render an annual report to the President, for submission to the Congress on or before March 31 in each year. Such report shall deal essentially, though not necessarily exclusively, with policy issues or matters which affect the Foundation or with which the Board in its official role as the policymaking body of the Foundation is concerned.]

(j)(1) The Board shall render to the President, for submission to the Congress no later than January 15 of each even numbered year, a report on indicators of the state of science and engineering in the United States.

(j)(2) The Board shall render to the President for submission to the Congress reports on specific, individual policy matters related to science and engineering and education in science and engineering, as the Board, the President, or the Congress determines the need for such reports.

National Science and Technology Policy, Organization, and Priorities Act of 1976

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POLICY PLANNING, ANALYSIS, AND ADVICE

SEC. 205. (a) The Office shall serve as a source of scientific and technological analysis and judgment for the President with respect to major policies, plans, and programs of the Federal Government. In carrying out the provisions of this section, the Director shall—

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(11) report at least once each year to the President *and the Congress* on the averall activities and accomplishments of the Office, pursuant to section [209] *206* of this Act;

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[FIVE-YEAR OUTLOOK

[SEC. 206. (a) Within its first year of operation, the Office shall, to the extent practicable, within the limitations of available knowledge and resources, and with appropriate assistance from the departments and agencies and such consultants and contractors as the Director deems necessary, identify and describe situations and conditions which warrant special attention within the next five years, involving—

[(1) current and emerging problems of national significance that are identified through scientific research, or in which scientific or technical considerations are of major significance; and

[(2) opportunities for, and constraints on, the use of new and existing scientific and technological capabilities which can make a significant contribution to the resolution of problems identified under paragraph (1) of this subsection or to the achievement of Federal program objectives or national goals, including those set forth in section 101(b) of this Act.

[(b) The Office shall annually revise the five-year outlook developed under subsection (a) of this section so that it takes account of new problems, constraints and opportunities and changing national goals and circumstances, and shall extend the outlook so that it always extends five years into the future.

[(c) The Director of the Office shall consult as necessary with officials of the departments and agencies having programs and respon-

sibilities relating to the problems, constraints, and opportunities identified under subsections (a) and (b) of this section, in order to—

[(1) identify and evaluate alternative actions that might be taken by the Federal Government, State and local governments, or the private sector to deal with such problems, constraints, or opportunities; and

[(2) ensure that alternative actions identified under paragraph (1) of this subsection are fully considered by departments and agencies in formulating their budget, programs, and legislative proposals.

[(d) The Director of the Office shall consult as necessary with officials of the Office of Management and Budget and other appropriate elements of the Executive Office of the President to ensure that the problems, constraints, opportunities, and alternative actions identified under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section are fully considered in the development of the President's Budgets and legislative programs.]

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY REPORT AND OUTLOOK

SEC. 206. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Reorganization Plan Number 1 of 1977, the Director shall render to the President for submission to the Congress no later than January 15 of each odd numbered year, a science and technology report and outlook (hereinafter referred to as the "report") which shall be prepared under the guidance of the Office and with the cooperation of the Director of the National Science Foundation, with appropriate assistance from other Federal departments and agencies as the Office or the Director of the National Science Foundation deems necessary. The report shall include—

(1) a statement of the President's current policy for the maintenance of the nation's leadership in science and technology;

(2) a review of developments of national significance in science and technology;

(3) a description of major Federal decisions and actions related to science and technology that have occurred since the previous such report;

(4) a discussion of currently important national issues in which scientific or technical considerations are of major significance;

(5) a forecast of emerging issues of national significance resulting from, or identified through, scientific research or in which scientific or technical considerations are of major importance; and

(6) a discussion of opportunities for, and constraints on, the use of new and existing scientific and technological information, capabilities, and resources, including manpower resources, to make significant contributions to the achievement of Federal program objectives and national goals.

(b) The Office shall insure that the report, in the form approved by the President, is printed and made available as a public document.

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[SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY REPORT

[SEC. 209. (a) The President shall transmit annually to the Congress, beginning February 15, 1978, a Science and Technology Report (hereinafter referred to as the "Report") which shall be prepared by the Office, with appropriate assistance from Federal departments and agencies and such consultants and contractors as the Director deems necessary. The report shall draw upon the information prepared by the Director pursuant to section 206 of this Act, and to the extent practicable, within the limitation of available knowledge and resources, discuss such issues as—

[(1) a review of developments of national significance in science and technology;

[(2) the significant effects of current and projected trends in science and technology on the social, economic, and other requirements of the Nation;

[(3) a review and appraisal of selected science- and technology-related programs, policies, and activities of the Federal Government;

[(4) an inventory and forecast of critical and emerging national problems the resolution of which might be substantially assisted by the application of science and technology;

[(5) the identification and assessment of scientific and technological measures that can contribute to the resolution of such problems, in light of the related social, economic, political, and institutional considerations;

[(6) the existing and projected scientific and technological resources, including specialized manpower, that could contribute to the resolution of such problems; and

[(7) recommendations for legislation on science- and technology-related programs and policies that will contribute to the resolution of such problems.

[(b) In preparing the Report under subsection (a) of this section, the Office shall make maximum use of relevant data available from the National Science Foundation and other Government departments and agencies.

[(c) The Director shall insure that the Report, in the form approved by the President, is printed and made available as a public document.]

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